

REMARKS

Prior to this Amendment, Claims 1-13 were pending in this application. Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph. Claims 1-6, 8, and 12-13 stand rejected under 35 USC §101.

With this Amendment, Claims 1-6, 8, and 12-13 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. The undersigned reserves the right, on behalf of the applicant, to pursue the canceled claims in another application.

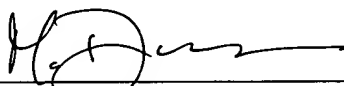
CONCLUSION

The foregoing is submitted as a full and complete response to the Final Office Action mailed 06/27/2005. With consideration of the above amendment and remarks, the undersigned submits that this application is in condition for allowance, and such disposition is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that the prosecution might be advanced by discussing the application with the undersigned, in person or over the telephone, we would welcome the opportunity to do so.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 50-1458, and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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